CASE 70156

CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. §1.10 on the date shown below and is addressed to Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box/1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Pamela Shirling Type or print name

Signature

March 14, 2006

Date

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE PCT NATIONAL STAGE APPLICATION OF CLEUGH, ERNEST STEPHEN

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO: PCT/GB2004/003497

I.A. FILING DATE: 16 AUGUST 2004

U.S. APPLICATION NO: TO BE ASSIGNED

35 USC §371 DATE: HEREWITH

FOR: PRODUCTION PROCESS OF OPTICALLY PURE 2-(4-

HYDROXYPHENOXY)-PROPIONIC ACID COMPOUNDS

Mail Stop PCT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

This paper is being filed within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.491 of the international application. Therefore, no fees are required. If a fee is deemed to be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1676.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicant wishes to call the Examiner's attention to the references cited on the attached form(s) PTO-1449.

The listed references were cited in the international stage search report. Since these references are of record in the instant PCT application PCT/GB2004/003497, copies are not enclosed herewith.

LAPS PROSPECTION 14 MAR 2008

The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 form(s).

USPTO Customer No. 26748 Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc. Patent and Trademark Dept. 410 Swing Road

Greensboro, NC 27409 Tel.: (336) 632-6049

Fax: (336) 632-2012

Date: March 14, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Gegick

Attorney for Applicants Reg. No. 51,724



Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449/PTO

Sheet 1

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Application Number	TO BE ASSIGNED	
Filing Date	HEREWITH	
First Named Inventor	CLEUGH, Ernest	
Art Unit	TO BE ASSIGNED	
Examiner Name	TO BE ASSIGNED	
Attorney Docket Number	70156	

Complete if Known

U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number Number-Kind Code ^{2 (fl known)}	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		^{US-} 4,532,346	7/30/1985	Rehn, et al.	
		^{US-} 4,625,053	11/25/1986	Fujinawa Shoji, et al.	-
		us- 4,505,753	03/19/1985	Schurter Rolf, et al	
		US-		-	
		US-			
	† —	US-			
	 	US-			
_		US-			
		US-			_
	-	US-			
		US-			
	<u> </u>	US-			
	1	US-			
	†	US-			
	†	US-			
		US-			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages	
	<u> </u>	Country Code ^{3 -} Number ^{4 -} Kind Code ⁵ (if known)	MM-DD-YYYY		Or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶
		FR 763 374	04/30/1934	Manuf de Prod Chim		
		EP 0352168	01/24/90	Rhone-Poulenc C		
	<u> </u>					
	 					-
	<u> </u>			<u> </u>		ļ
					l	

Examiner		Date	
Signature		Considere	d
	1		· ·

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

10/571863 A MAR 2006

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number. Complete if Known Substitute for form 1449/PTO **Application Number** TO BE ASSIGNED Filing Date INFORMATION DISCLOSURE **HEREWITH** STATEMENT BY APPLICANT First Named Inventor CLEUGH, ERNEST STEPHEN Art Unit TO BE ASSIGNED (Use as many sheets as necessary) **Examiner Name** TO BE ASSIGNED Attorney Docket Number Sheet 2 2 70156 of

		NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS	
Examiner Initials*	xaminer Cite Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title		T ²
		"The e-Pesticide Manual, CLODINAFOP-PROPARGYL (147) HERBICIDE ARYLOXYPHENOXYPROPIONATE", Electronic Pesticide Manual, British Crop Protection Council, GB 1999, pp. 1-3.	

Examiner	Date	
Signature	Considered	

^{*}EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). 2 Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached. This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions described by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. Do NoT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: